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TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CHESTER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

New Haven Baptist Church

Choctaw County, Mississippi

OCTOBER 4-6, 1918

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Self Creek Church, Friday before the First Sabbath in October, 1919.

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN BABTIST CONVENTION

J. H. D. Watson; Alternate, W. S. Watkins.

OFFICERS

H. M. WHITTEN, Moderator - - - - McCool
G. D. WEATHERALL, Clerk and Treasurer - - Ackerman

EXECUTIVE BOARD

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S. M. FANT

PRESIDENT WOMAN'S WORK

MISS EMMA HAMMOND

HISTORICAL TABLE

Date	PLACE	INTRODUCTORY SERMON	MODERATOR	CLERK
1892	Chester	Organization	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster
1893	Fellowship	J. H. D. Watson	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster
1894	Bear Creek	H. M. Long	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster
1895	Bethlehem	W. H. H. Fancher	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster
1896	Providence	Chas. H. Lewis	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster
1897	Pleasant Ridge	David Burney	W. H. H. Fancher	J. R. W. Foster
1898	Bluff Springs	G. S. Jenkins	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1899	Mount Pisgah	M. L. Oswalt	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1900	Beulah	N. Q. Adams	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1901	Ackerman	T. J. Bailey	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1902	Poplar Creek	T. J. Bailey	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1903	Spring Hill	W. H. H. Fancher	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1904	Clear Springs	N. Q. Adams	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1905	Self Creek	J. K. Thornton	N. Q. Adams	S. B. Dobbs.
1906	Ebenezer	R. A. Eddleman	N. Q. Adams	S. B. Dobbs.
1907	Blythe's Creek	H. L. Rhodes	N. Q. Adams	S. B. Dobbs.
1908	Mount Moriah	J. R. Nutt	S. B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall.
1909	Longview	F. R. Burney	S. B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall.
1910	Bear Creek	J. B. Perry	S. B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall.
1911	Double Springs	R. L. Wallace	S. B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall.
1912	Providence	A. H. Mahaffey	S. B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall.
1913	Wake Forest	H. M. Whitten	S. B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall.
1914	New Zion	M. J. Derrick	N. B. Wallace	G. D. Weatherall.
1915	Fellowship	T. J. Latimer	N. B. Wallace	G. D. Weatherall.
1916	Clear Springs	N. B. Wallace	N. B. Wallace	G. D. Weatherall.
1917	Bethlehem	P. S. Rogers	H. M. Whitten	G. D. Weatherall.
1918	New Haven	O. C. Cooper	H. M. Whitten	G. D. Weatherall.

PROCEEDINGS

The Chester Association met with the New Haven Church in its twenty-sixth annual session, Friday, Oct. 5, A. D. 1918.

Called to order by the Moderator, H. M. Whitten, at 10 o'clock sharp. Brother D. M. Berry led in prayer. The Moderator then read the 19th Psalm and called on W. A. Chisholm to lead in another prayer.

On motion of D. M. Berry the Association went into the election of officers, which resulted in the re-election of H. M. Whitten, Moderator, and G. D. Weatherall, Clerk and Treasurer.

On motion, Pine Grove Church was received into the fellowship of this Association.

Called for correspondents:

Columbus Association, C. E. Bland, O. C. Cooper.

Central Association, W. A. Chisholm, the Sunday School man.

Returned Correspondents:

Louisville Association, H. M. Whitten.

Kosciusko Association, H. M. Whitten and M. A. Johnson.

State Convention—H. M. Whitten, G. A. Eddleman and G. D. Weatherall.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Finance—D. M. Berry, S. M. Fant and Q. M. Frazier.

Devotion—J. M. Smith and pastor and deacons of New Haven Church.

Enrollment—J. A. Chamblee and Lee Atterberry.

The Delegates from Bear Creek Church asked for a letter of dismission in order to join the Kosciusko Association. Bro. P. S. Rogers made a motion that the letter be granted, and motion was adopted.

The Association then stood and sang, "What a Friend."

Brother Whitten, who had been selected to preach the introductory sermon, stated that he had asked Brother Cooper to preach the sermon and he had kindly consented. Brother Cooper

read the 21st chapter of Revelation and preached a very impressive sermon. At the conclusion of the sermon Brother Rogers led in prayer and made a few appropriate remarks in regard to the fourth Liberty Loan.

Bro. W. A. Chisholm spoke for the Baptist Record and Home and Foreign Fields.

Adjourned to 1:30 p. m.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

This is a reading age of the world. People are reading as never before and are going to read. God works in mysterious ways. This great world war has caused the Holy Bible to be read by more people, I will say, than anything since the great flood. But so much depends on how we read and how we understand. Reading matter is to the mind and life just what food is to the body, and as we take into consideration this fact it makes our hearts sad when we see so many minds perishing for the want of good literature. People are in this phase of their Christian life as they are in many others—they are easily satisfied. As a whole, we read the commercial papers too much, and leave off the reading of God's Word till some other time, and that some other time doesn't come around very often with some of us. So parents should see to it that their children do not read trashy literature such as ten-cent novels that have poisoned so many bright and tender minds that would have otherwise been brilliant.

So your committee recommends the daily study of God's word in every Christian home. There are many other valuable helps that are now available. We also recommend and urge that every Baptist family subscribe to our denominational papers, especially our State paper, the Baptist Record, which ought to be in every home; also the Home and Foreign Mission Journal, and the Orphanage Gem. Again let us not forget to make the Bible our daily companion, studying it with prayer and devotion, that it may be food for our minds and souls. Your committee recommend and urge the use of S. B. S. S. literature, published by the Sunday School Board of the S. B. C.

Respectfully submitted,
S. M. FANT, Committee.

This report was read by S. M. Fant and discussed by W. A. Chisholm and adopted.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

It is not the function of a report on Christian Education to discuss the scarcity of such education, but to chronicle the doings of our denominational schools. If the magnificent work that is being done by our three Baptist schools be properly recorded, this report will be long enough.

Mississippi College is the oldest of our schools, and is the oldest school of college grade in the State. Last Tuesday, October 1, she opened her doors with more students than at any opening in her long history of more than ninety years. Mississippi College is one of the 645 leading colleges in this country designated by the United States government for training officers. More than four hundred young men were at the opening, October 1. The government has placed an army officer at the college to teach military science and to drill the students, all of whom are under military discipline and receive the pay of a private soldier, clothes, board, blanket and overcoat. Now is the greatest and best opportunity any young man in Mississippi ever had to procure a first-class education in a first-class college.

Our Mississippi Woman's College at Hattiesburg opened its seventh session September 18, with the largest enrollment in its history. On the opening day sixty applicants were turned away because there were not rooms to accommodate them. Every room has two or three pupils in it, and every house near the college that could be rented had been secured for use, and still there was not room enough. The college is greatly in need of more buildings. Five hundred girls would attend the Woman's College this year if they could be accommodated. The faculty has been strengthened and enlarged to thirty. All teachers are Baptists and active Christians. Graduates from our Woman's College receive a life certificate for teaching in the public schools of this state; after two years attendance they receive a certificate good for two years, at the end of which time it may be renewed.

Twenty-five girls graduated last year. This number does not include those who graduated from the business department. All graduates are Christians. The religious work among the stu-

dents is far above the average. In its six years of existence there has not been a single death or a serious case of sickness among the students.

The opening of Clarke Memorial College this year was very promising, and with an experienced school mas as president, assisted by a strong faculty, the college will doubtless do a great work.

All our Baptist schools deserve our prayers, our patronage and our most hearty support. They are doing a great work for our heavenly Master and deserve our heartiest support. Let us send our sons and daughters and money to our Baptist schools and our prayers to Almighty God for his richest blessings upon them.

Respectfully submitted,
PATRICK S. ROGERS.

This report was discussed by P. S. Rogers, H. M. Whitten, W. A. Chisholm and S. M. Fant. A collection was taken for same amounting to $15.57, and report adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

The spirit of charity underlies all the New Testament teaching with reference to the poor.

Preachers, to practice what they preach, are liberal givers, therefore the majority of the old preachers are poor in the material things of this world. They have spoken more than lawyers, they have written almost as much as the editors, they have visited as much as the doctors; but, judging from the amount of pay received, their labor has been very little appreciated.

They are forced out on life's billowy waves with nothing to sustain except the consciousness of having spent their lives trying to help and bless the people among whom they have ministered.

Let s see what the Word says about giving: Acts 20:35, "I the unfortunate children who have neither parents nor other relsupport the weak; and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."

The government of God is founded on the principle of benevolence, or the desire to bless others. Our richest blessings come

as the result of the good things we have passed on to our fellowmen.

The Holy Spirit is given to fit God's children for service. Then how can we serve Him? Only by helping one another, and especially the wornout preachers, who have spent their all to help us.

All who accept the gospel take upon themselves the obligation to pass its blessing on to others. In this way the work of salvation is extended. Every soul reclaimed from sin, God expects to join in the same work for others which lifted him up and placed his feet upon the rocks.

The good things of God are not to be selfishly kept to ourselves. We receive to give. Says Whittier, "The soul is lost that saves alone!" And as love prompts God's great gift, so His love in our hearts will prompt us to give to ministers, and to engage in loving service for the welfare and happiness of others.

This report was discussed by J. M. Smith and H. M. Whitten and adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage has grown from a rented house to the ownership in land and houses to the value of more than one hundred thousand dollars. It has been rendering a successful and worthy service to humanity and to the kingdom of God. The purpose of the home is to provide food, shelter and training for the unfortunate children who have neither parents nor other relatives to care for them, and is supported entirely by voluntary contributions. Such contribution is given by Jesus himself as evidence of pure and undefiled religion.

The home has been in operation for over twenty years; 800 children have been cared for; ninety-one have been adopted into Christian homes and families; sixty have married and have homes of their own; six have taken courses of training for nurses; eight have rendered satisfactory service as teachers; seven are in the United States military service. Many others are engaged in different occupations of life, and not only are they trained for good citizenship, but are trained in the greatest of all businesses—the Christian life. They have the advantage of Sunday school, preaching, B. Y. P. U. work, and eight months school.

We recommend our Orphanage to the more generous and cordial support of all our people and recommend that our churches and our Sunday schools adopt the plan of giving monthly to the Orphanage and that a special thank offering be made during the month of November.

S. C. STEELE, Chairman.

This report was read and discussed by S. G. Steele and adopted.

The Moderator appointed H. B. Black, C. H. Butler and T. M. Holloway as a Committee on Nominations.

The Devotional Committee reported that W. A. Chisholm lectured at Dry Creek school house Friday night.

Adjourned till 9 o'clock a. m., Saturday.

SATURDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Saturday morning came to order by singing, "Work for the night is coming." Bro. C. E. Bland read the 64th Psalm and led in prayer.

Brother Whitten suggested that we dispense with the committe on obituaries and on motion this suggestion was adopted, and the clerk was instructed to set aside a page in the minutes for the names of our dead.

The Treasurer made the following report, which was adopted:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

Finance Committee	$99.29	
Bethany Church for minutes	1.00	
New Hope Church for minutes	1.20	
Crape Creek Church for minutes	1.00	
Long Branch Church for Del. S. B. C.	1.00	
Mt. Pisgah Church for Del. S. B. C.	1.00	
New Zion Church for Del. S. B. C.	1.00	
Total Receipts		$105.49

Disbursements.

J. B. Lawrence	$23.79
Minutes	37.26

Postage and express	3.45	
Bal. due Clerk last year	.19	
For Clerk this year	12.00	
Postage	.40	
J. L. Hughes for Del. S. B. C.	7.27	
Total Disbursements		$ 84.36
Balance on hand		$ 21.13

G. D. WEATHERALL,
Clerk and Treasurer.

Brother Whitten, our delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, then made his report, and it seemed from the glowing report which he made that he must have caught a vision of the greatness of the work being done by Southern Baptists.

Brother Rogers made a motion that Brother Whitten be allowed $7.50, balance due him on expenses to the convention, and that this be paid out of funds on hand.

On motion by Brother Rogers, the two districts into which the Association had been divided, were abolished, and that the Constitution and Rules of Decorum be printed in the minutes, and that clerk have 750 copies of minutes printed.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

A missionary church is a church trying to give the gospel to the whole world. Therefore a Baptist missionary church is a Baptist church trying to give the gospel to the whole world. Any organization claiming to be a Baptist missionary church that is not trying to give the gospel to the whole world belies its claims and ought to be treated by the Association as a Godless, unbiblical organization. The time has come for Baptists to take broad, comprehensive views of God's teachings regarding missions and the evangelizing of the world.

Heretofore most of our ideas, plans and efforts have been too small. "Go ye into all the world" means just what it says—the whole world. Anything smaller than this does not measure up to the command of our Lord and Saviour.

With an open Bible before them, Southern Baptists had to enlarge their plans, increase their efforts, broaden their views, and multiply their giving. In the past year God's richest bless-

ings have rested upon our feeble efforts, which is a token of his call to attempt larger things along missionary lines.

Last year on our Foreign Mission fields more than six thousand were baptized; our mission schools, hospitals, publishing houses, and all other enterprises were very prosperous. More than a million dollars was raised for this great work. This year Southern Baptists are asked to give a million five hundred thousand dollars for Foreign Missions. We can do it, for that will be about fifty cents for each white Baptist in the South.

Last year was a banner year for our Home Mission work. The Mountain schools, the Home Board evangelists, in fact all our Home Mission work prospered beyond our most sanguine expectations. More money was raised than ever before in any one year for this work. This year the laymen insisted on Southern Baptists raising a million dollars for Home Missions. We can do it. We must do it. More than four thousand houseless churches demand it; the great prosperity of the work demands it.

Our State Mission work is prospering so rapidly that we had to enlarge our plans or quit. There are about 2,000,000 people in Mississippi, and more than 1,000,000 old enought to have faith in Jesus, who are not saved. Notwithstanding our prosperous mission work in this State, the needs far surpass what we are doing. Our State Convention decided that Mississippi Baptists ought to raise not less than fifty thousand dollars for State Missions. We must not go to the Convention with less than that amount. Brethren, is your church a real Baptist misionary church? If not, why not?

Submitted.

PATRICK S. ROGERS.

This report, after being ably discussed by P. S. Rogers, W. A. Chisholm, H. B. Black and S. M. Fant, was adopted.

REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

If we have learned the meaning of the word "systematic" correctly, it is "pertaining to or proceeding according to system, a regular order of business."

In every successful business in this life, system occupies a prominent place. The facts are, no business can be run success-

fully without system. Then, if it be necessary in any vocation of life, why not apply it in all our church work?

Suppose there had been no system to the training of our boys, the raising of money and the real work at the front, what would have been the results? Whereas, with the systematic work from the home to the firing line, we are marching to victory. Then, if it means victory in a world struggle like this, why not give it a trial in the Christian warfare in which we are engaged? No one should attempt to deny the fact that we are to contribute to the pooket and to the spread of the gospel. While every ruly converted man and woman trusts in Christ as their Soviour, we are apt to forget His claims as workers. Are we not filled with gratitude and praise for what He has done for us? But do we not very often forget what we can and should do for Him? Do we give to this grace of giving the attention that its importance demands? Shall we be satisfied until it can be said of all the churches composing this body that they abound in this grace? What do most of our churches need today? If you will allow us to answer this question, we would say information and prayer. Then the matter of giving will be taken care of.

Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me, but ye will say wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings." Mal.3:8.

No better plan can be adopted than God's plan. It is the best, it cannot be improved. The main thing for us is to be willing to do as we are commanded.

Respectfully,

N. A. ADAMS.

The above report was spoken to by N. A. Adams and P. S. Rogers, and was adopted.

Adjourned till 1:30 p. m.

SATURDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Saturday afternoon, came together by singing, "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes." Led in prayer by Harry Black.

REPORT ON PROHIBITION.

We, your committee on Prohibition, make the following report:

We are glad to report that Prohibition is making splendid

progress both in this country and in many foreign countries. We now have national prohibition to be effective next July 1st for the period of the war.

In the present distressed condition of the world, with food scarcity prevailing over a great part of the earth, total abstinence from intoxicating liquors and temperate use of all articles of food is imperatively needed for the world's welfare.

In other wars rum was issued as a part of army rations. Now it is a crime to sell liquor to a soldier or in camp, on a naval vessel, or in a navy yard. The Federal Government has also excluded liquor and liquor advertisements from the mails and made it a crime to ship liquors or alcoholic beverages for other than sacramental, scientific or medical purposes into our State and others in which the sale of liquors is prohibited. Our government has now made a law prohibiting the sale of beer and wine, effective next May 1st; also prohibiting the manufacturing of wine and beer, effective July 1st, for the period of the war.

This will mean a great saving of food for the soldiers.

It is the duty of all Christians and God-fearing people to stand for the betterment and uplift of mankind, for the increase of physical, mental, moral and spiritual efficiency. We must keep up a relentless warfare on the manufacture, sale and use of intoxicants, the greatest evil known to the world.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. D. WATSON.

This report was discussed by J. H. D. Watson and P. S. Rogers and adopted.

The Committee on Nominations made the following report, which was unanimously adopted:

Member State Board—G. D. Weatherall.

To Preach Introductory Sermon—J. L. Hughes; Alternate, Bro. O. C. Cooper.

Delegate Southern Baptist Convention—J. H. Watson; W. L. Watkins, alternate.

W. M. U.—Miss Emma Hammond.

Executive Committee—Estell Dobbs, J. M. Barron, S. W. Fant.

Next Place of Meeting—Self Creek.

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. BLACK,
C. H. BUTLER,
T. M. HOLLOWAY,
Committee.

Brother Rogers made a motion to change the time of meeting to Tuesday and Wednesday before the first Sabbath in October, but after some discussion the motion was lost.

REPORT ON HOSPITALS.

The Report of the Trustees of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital at Jackson, to the Baptist State Convention, submits the following statement for the period Nov. 1, 1916, to Nov. 1, 1917:

Total number patients, 729; deaths, 18; charity patients, 118; pay patients, 571.

After paying all expenses, the Hospital had a deficit of $1,075.04 balance due for groceries, supplies (surgical) and sundries. This report in part says:

"This institution has accomplished much in the past and yet we feel that it only stands upon the very threshold of what is yet to be in the near future. We are handicapped like all other institutions on account of a shortage of funds. An indebtednes of twenty-five thousand dollars hangs over the institution that we believe ought to be wiped out, and give it an opportunity to do its best work. We owe twenty thousand dollars on bonded indebtedness, five thousand dollars on equipment. The five thousand dollars on equipment and five thousand of the bonded indebtedness, with interest, is now due, making a total of eleven thousand dollars which must be paid at once. The remaining fifteen thousand dollars to be paid in sums of five thousand dollars in 1918, 1919 and 1920."

Brethren, there is no benevolent institution in the State of more importance than our Baptist Hospital. It is very necessary that we have a well-equipped hospital for the care of our physical being, as well as our spiritual being. Every Christian should have a part in the maintenance of this noble institution, and by

so doing would emulate our Christ, who while on earth healed the sick.

Respectfully,
T. M. HOLLOWAY.

This report was read by T. M. Holloway; and after being discussed by him, H. M. Whitten and W. A. Chisholm, a collection was taken amounting to $30.30, and the report adopted.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

The definite aims of the Woman's Missionary Union are four in number: Missions and Bible Study, Systematic and Proportionate Giving, Personal and Definite Service, and Individual and United Prayer.

A regular course of study has been marked out which each Baptist woman is urged to take up. This embraces a book on Bible study, one on stewardship and missions, one on the history of the W. M. U., one on methods and two on definite missions, one on home and the other on foreign missions.

A certificate and seals are granted to those taking the course of study.

Free literature that is most helpful will be sent to each church wishing to perfect the organization of the women in order that they may be informed as to what is their part in the upbuilding of the Kingdom. This should be ordered from Miss M. M. Lackey, Jackson, Miss.

While no society is organized for the purpose of getting money, yet woman's gifts, resulting from her desire to help, after she has been informed as to the world's needs, are growing larger each year.

The half year ending May, 1918, showed that Mississippi societies gave for all benevolences $56,137.51.

This Association has in it this year six organized societies, while it had three last year. The growth seems very slow to us women who enjoy the blessed privilege of being members of a society, but if we can double the number each year it will not be long until every church in the Association has perfected an organization.

The societies which reported gave for all benevolences, $450.53.

The nominating committee recommend Miss Emmie Hammond as superintendent and Mrs. Alice Bennett as secretary.

EMMIE HAMMOND.

This report was made by Miss Emmie Hammond, and after some appropriate remarks by her and W. A. Chisholm and P. S. Rogers, was adopted.

The Finance Committee made the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, the Committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report:

Minutes	$ 55.35
Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention	4.31
State Missions	67.62
Home Missions	6.00
Foreign Missions	5.50
Orphanage	7.65
Ministerial Relief	1.50
Christian Education	15.57
Hospitals	30.30
Surplus	3.55
Total	$195.75

Respectfully submitted,
D. M. BERRY,
S. M. FANT,
Q. M. FRAZIER,
Committee.

On motion, H. M. Whitten was appointed to raise money to send a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, and $10.75 was paid to the Clerk after the Finance Committee made their report.

It was ordered that the Clerk be allowed $15.00 for his services.

The Devotional Committee reported that W. A. Chisholm would lecture again Saturday night at Dry Creek School house, and Brother Whitten in house at 11 o'clock

On motion, a committe was appointed to arrange program for next Association.

The Moderator appointed P. S. Rogers, N. A. Adams and G. D. Weatherall on said committee.

Adjourned until Sunday morning.

SUNDAY MORNING.

The Association came to order by singing. Led in prayer by J. A. Chamblee.

The Moderator called for scripture quotations and quite a number responded.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Judging from the sentiment of the press the whole world, except Germany and her allies, is leaning toward democracy as never before, and believing as we do, that Baptists, since the days of the Apostles, have stood for democracy in church government and liberty of conscience in the worship of God as no other people have done, therefore, as we see it, this is a day of Baptist opportunity. The field is surely ripe for a Baptist harvest, and if we do not thrust in the sickle and reap we are not worthy of our ancestors who suffered persecution and even martyrdom that these precious principles might be vouchsafed to us and to the world.

Thomas Jefferson, the great apostle of democracy, got the idea from a business meeting in a Baptist church. Jefferson, who taught that in order for this form of government to be a success it must consist of an intelligent citizenship. In other words the people must be educated. Now, we can not depend on the State colleges and public schools altogether, because they do not teach the Bible, and an education which does not develop the spiritual side of man as well as the physical and mental is not complete.

If we do not emphasize the doctrines of the New Testament in the education of our children it will be only a question of time when real, genuine religion will be as hard to find in this country as it is in Germany.

In view of the above facts, we cannot recommend too highly the teaching service of the church called the Sunday School, because it is here that our children are taught those things that are so essential, not only to their spiritual salvation, but to their temporal existence.

We believe that thousands of men, women and children are being murdered in this world war because parents have not brought their children up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord and taught them this gospel of peace in the Sunday School.

Realizing that one obstacle in the way of the Sunday School is a lack of trained teachers, therefore we urge that each and every Sunday School see to it that their teachers and officers attend the Sunday School Normals that are being held by our State workers in the various associations.

We further recommend that this Association hold an annual Sunday School Convention and that the Moderator appoint a committee of three to arrange program and time and place for said convention.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. WARD,
For Committee.

This report was read by J. H. Ware, and after being discussed by J. H. Ward, G. D. Weatherall, W. L. Mills, S. M. Fant and W. A. Chisholm, was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this Association be extended to New Haven Church and community for their courtesy and generous hospitality.

The Association then adjourned to meet with self Creek Church on Friday before the first Sabbath in October, A. D. 1919.

H. M. WHITTEN, Moderator.
G. D. WEATHERALL, Clerk.

At 11 o'clock Brother Whitten preached a great sermon on the Kingdom in the house, and Brother Chisholm spoke to a large and appreciative audience in the grove. A collection was taken at the close of the 11 o'clock service for Christian Education, amounting to $26.65. This, plus the amount previously raised, makes a total of $42.22 for Christian Education.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLMENT.

Ackerman—B. F. Tucker, Ben Mitchell and P. S. Rogers.
Arbor Springs—
Bear Creek—M. A. Johnson, Hettie Johnson and Q. M. Frazier.

Bethany—J. M. Weaver.
Bethlehem—Joe M. Barron and wife.
Beulah—H. B. Black, S. G. Steele, J. M. Smith.
Blythe Creek—
Bluff Springs—W. P. Coleman, Alsie Jones, C. A. Lindsay.
Center Grove—T. A. Hamilton.
Chester—W. L. Edwards, E. E. Robinson, J. M. McIntyre.
Clear Springs—C. A. Rook, J. A. Coleman, Robert Gregg.
Crape Creek—R. W. Box, H. B. Pierce, W. A. Wills.
Cypress—R. B. Lewis.
Double Springs—
Ebenezer—Jack Pearson, J. W. McWhorter, Joe R. Woods.
Fellowship—D. L. Humphries, T. N. Jones, J. W. Franklin.
Fentress—H. W. Blain.
French Camp—Lee Atterberry, S. B. Johnson.
Long Branch—W. L. Watkins, J. H. Watkins.
Longview—J. I. Cummings, T. G. Sanders.
Mathiston—
McCurtains Creek—C. C. Sheedy.
Mt. Moriah—E. P. Youngblood, Sam Prewitt, J. J. Rabun.
Mt. Pisgah—W. M. Bowles, J. M. Broch, Gertrude Broch.
New Haven—O. C. Chamblee, W. Q. Simpson, H. M. Ray.
New Hope—T. B. Edmonds, George Taylor.
New Zion—G. W. Hodges, D. P. Franks.
Pleasant Ridge—
Providence—N. A. Adams, Rev. J. H. D. Watson, W. S. Mills.
Self Creek—Essie Carder, Una Templeton, Charley Butler.
Spring Hill—
Sturgis—
Wake Forest—
Weir—G. A. Eddleman.
Wood Springs—C. C. Peacock, C. W. Woods.
Pine Grove—Blumer Rushing, Jess Kelley.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Digest of Church Letters—W. F. Burney and E. B. Dobbs.
Missions—P. S. Rogers.
Christian Education—Dr. F. F. Smith.
Publications—Lester Buck.
Ministerial Relief—H. B. Black.

Prohibition—S. M. Fant.
Woman's Work—Miss Emma Hammond.
Systematic Giving—J. L. Hughes.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Patrick S. Rogers Ackerman	W. J. Dobbs.....Mathiston
H. L. Rhodes.....Ackerman	T. J. Smith.....Mathiston
H. M. Whitten.....McCool	W. L. Watkins.....Maben
M. A. Carr .....McCool	J. L. Hughes.....Longview
Jasper Watson .....Maben	C. H. Dobbs.....Mathiston
J. L. Smith.....Chester	J. H. D. Watson.....Weir

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Organization.
2. Call for Petitionary Letters.
3. Call for Correspondence.
4. Appointment of Special Committees.
5. Report on Digest of Church Letters.
6. Miscellaneous Business.
7. Report on Missions.
8. Report on Systematic Giving.
9. Report on Sunday Schools.
10. Report on Woman's Work.
11. Report on Christian Education.
12. Report on Publications.
13. Report on Temperance.
14. Report on Ministerial Relief.
15. Report on Obituaries.
16. Report on Orphanage.
17. Report of Southern Baptist Convention Delegate.
18. Report on Hospitals.
19. Report on Laymen's Movement.
20. Report of Committee on Nominations.
21. Report of Treasurer.
22. Report of Executive Board.
23. Report of Finance Committee.
24. Appointment of Standing Committees.
25. Prayer.

MEMORIAL PAGE

Mrs. Jane Sieles

Miss Mabel Ridgeway

Orion L. Mitchell

W. W. Bagwell

A. T. Douglas

Mrs. Zenia Wills

Julius Betts

Fannie Archibald

Margaret Kimbrell

Caroline Bollis

Hicks Dobbs

Frank E. Oswalt

W. M. Narmour

Zadie Thompson

Wes Hood

Rosie Long

Jake Chardy

Alex McGaw

G. E. Sanders

Margaret Sims

Wm. J. Phelps

W. M. Kellum

Frank Ellington

Sarah Searberry

CONSTITUTION.

1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, who, upon producing their credentials, shall be entitled to seats; and the officers and members of standing committees. Adopted.

2. The members thus chosen and convened shall be known by the name of Chester Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, or infringe on any internal rights of the churches in union, but merely to be considered as an advisory council in matters respecting their internal concerns for the common benefit of all the churches; but the Association shall have the power to withdraw from any church who violates or deviates from the orthodox principles of the gospel. Adopted.

3. The churches in our union shall transmit to every annual session of the Association, written communications, specifying the names of their delegates, their number in fellowship, baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated, restored and deceased since last report or session, which shall be read and minuted. Adopted.

4. Every church in our union shall be entitled to representation in the following manner, viz: Each church shall be entitled to three delegates and no more, and any church failing to represent herself as above stated shall state her reason at the next session. Adopted.

5. New churches may be admitted into our union by delegates bearing petitionary letters— if upon due examination they be found worthy, orderly and orthodox, the Moderator shall manifest their admission by giving their delegates the right hand in token of Christian fellowship. Adopted.

6. The Association when convened shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum, which she is authorized to form and amend according to her own views. Adopted.

7. At every session of the Association a Moderator shall be elected by and from among the delegates present, whose duty it shall be to see that the rules are strictly observed, and to take the voice of the Association on all subjects legally introduced. A clerk shall also be elected, whose duty it shall be to take proper and correct minutes of the proceedings, each holding his office until a regular election. Adopted by amending so that it be a majority vote.

8. The Association shall furnish the churches with the minutes of every session. Adopted.

9. Every query sent by a particular church must be included in her letter certifying that she has tried to reconcile it but failed. In such case the Association shall take it under consideration, and the voice of the majority shall be considered an advisory answer, which shall be entered on the minutes. Adopted.

10. The Association shall have a fund supplied by the voluntary contribution of the churches, and all moneys thus contributed shall be sent by delegates and paid over to Finance Committee. If moneys have

been sent off during the year, such statement should be made in the letter. A finance committee shall be appointed annually, whose duty it shall be to receive in charge the Association fund and dispose of same agreeable to order of Association and make, at every session, a fair report of their proceedings. Adopted.

11. It shall be the duty of every Clerk to keep a regular file of the printed minutes of each session. Adopted.

12. The Association shall not adjourn any session until they have finished all the business on hand, except in extraordinary cases. Adopted.

13. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if necessary, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the session closes. Adopted.

14. The Association, in all cases, shall be governed by a majority of the members present. Adopted.

15. Amendments to the Constitution may be made at any session of the body where two-thirds of the members present shall deem it necessary. Adopted.

16—This Association shall meet on Friday before the first Lord's day in October, of each year, at 10 o'clock a. m. Adopted.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. The Moderator shall be considered as judge of order and shall have a discretional right to call to order at any time.

4. A member not satisfied with his decision, may appeal to the Association on the same day, but at no other time.

5. But one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise to his feet, and obtaining permission, shall proceed.

6. The Moderator, when addressed by a member for permission to speak, shall signify the same by naming the person or otherwise.

7. No member shall be interrupted while speaking, unless he departs from the subject, or uses words of personal reflection. Every motion made and seconded shall come under consideration of the Association, unless withdrawn by him who made it.

8. Every case taken up by the Association shal be decided or withdrawn before another shall be offered.

9. When a question is taken up after allowing a sufficient time for debate, the Moderator shall take the vote and announce the decision.

10. Any member wishing to retire shall obtain permission from the Moderator.

11. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the Association; nor more than once until every member wishing to speak shall have spoken; nor shall any proposition

be made to close the subject until the debators have been carried through.

12. The appellation of brother shall be used in the Association by members in their addresses one to another.

13. The names of members shall be called as often as the Association may desire.

14. No member shall be tolerated in any practice which tends to interrupt a speaker.

15. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges of speaking as any other member, provided he appoints another to his seat during the time; but he shall not vote upon any question, unless the Association be equally divided.

16. Any member violating these rules shall be reproved by the Moderator at discretion—but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

DECLARATION OF FAITH.

I. OF THE SCRIPTURES.

We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth without any mixture of error, for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us; and therefore is, and shall remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which al human conduct, creeds, and opinions should be tried.

2 Tim. 3:16,17. 2 Pet. 1:21; 2 Sam, 23:2; Acts 1:16; 3:21; John 10:35; Luke 16:29:31; Ps. 119; 111; Rom. 3:1-2.

2 Tim. 3:15. 1 Pet. 1:10-12; Acts 11:14; Rom. 1:16; Mark 16:16; John 5:38,39.

Prov. 30:5,6. John 17:17; Rev. 22:18,19; Rom. 3:4.

Rom. 2:12. John 12:47,48. Cor. 4:3,4; Luke 10:10-16; 12:47.48.

Phil. 3:16. Eph. 4:3-6; Phil. 2:1,2; 1 Cor. 1:10; 1 Pet. 4:11.

John 4:1. Isa. 8:20. 1 Thess. 5:21. 2 Cor. 13:5. Acts 17:11; 1 John 4:6; Jude 3; Eph. 6:17; Ps. 119:59,60; Phil. 1:9-11.

II. OF THE TRUE GOD.

We believe that there is one, and only one, living and true God, an infinite, intelligent Spirit, whose name is Jehovah, the Maker and Supreme Ruler f heaven and earth; inexphessibly glorious in holiness, and worthy of all possible honor, confidence, and love; that in the unity of the Godhead there are three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption.

John 4:24. Ps. 147:5. Ps. 83:18. Heb. 3:4; Rom. 1:20; Jer. 10:10.

Exod. 15:11. Isa 6:3; I Peter 1:15,16; Rev. 4:66-8.

Mark 12:30. Rev. 4:11. Matt. 10:37; Jer. 2:12,13.

Matt. 28:19. Cor. 12:4-6; 1 John 5:7.

III. OF THE FALL OF MAN.

We believe that man was created in holiness, under the law of his

Maker; but by voluntary transgression fell from that holy and happy state; in consequence of which all mankind are now sinners, not by constraint, but choice; being by nature utterly void of that holiness required by the law of God, positively inclined to evil; and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, without defense or excuse.

Gen. 1:27. Gen. 1:31. Eccl. 7:27; Acts 17:26-29; Gen. 2:16,17. Gen. 3;6-24. Rom. 5:12. Rom. 5:19. Isa. 53:6. Gen. 6:12; Rom. 3:9-18. Rom. 1:32; 2:1-16; Gal. 3:10; Matt. 20:15. Ezek. 18:19,20; Gal. 3:22.

IV. OF THE WAY OF SALVATION.

We believe that the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace; through the mediatorial offices of the Son of God; who by the appointment of the Father, freely took upon him our nature, yet without sin; honored the divine law by his personal obedience, and by his death made a full atonement for our sins; that having risen from the dead he is now enthroned in heaven; and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with divine perfections, he is every way qualified to be a suitable, compassionate, and all-sufficient Savior.

Eph. 2:8. Matt. 18:11; 1 John 4:10; 1 Cor. 3:5,7; Acts 15:11. John 3:16. John 1:1-14; Hb. 4:14; 12:24. Phil. 2:6,7. Heb. 2:9,14; 2 Cor. 5:21. Isa. 42:21. Phil. 2:8; Gal. 4:4,5; Rom. 3:21. Isa. 53:4,5.

V. OF JUSTIFICATION.

We believe that the great gospel blessing which Christ secures to such as believe in him is Justification; that Justification includes the pardon of sin, and thep romise of eternal life on principles of righteousness; that it is bestowed, not in consideration of any works of righteousness which w have done, but solely through faith in the Redeemer's blood; by virtue of which faith his perfect righteousness is freely imputed to us of God; that it brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God, and secures every other blessing needful for time and eternity.

John 1:16. Eph. 3:8. Acts 13:39. Isa. 53:11,12; Rom. 8:1. Rom. 5:9. Zech. 13:1; Matt. 9:6; Acts 1043. Rom. 5:17. Titus 3:5-7; 1 Peter 3:7; 1 John 2:25; Rom. 5:21. Rom. 4:4,5. 1 Cor. 1:30, 31; Matt. 6:33; 1 Tim. 4:8.

VI. OF THE FREENESS OF SALVATION.

We believ that the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the gospel; that it is the immediate duty of all to accept them by a cordial, penitent, and obedient faith; and that nothing prevnts the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth but his own inherent depravity and voluntary rejection of the gospel which rejection involves him in an aggravated condemnation.

Isa. 55:1; Rev. 22:17. Luke 14:17. Rom. 16525,26. Mark 1:15; Rom. 1:15-17. John 5:40. Matt. 23:37; Rom. 9:32; Prov. 1:24; Acts 13:46.

VII. OF GRACE IN REGENERATION.

We believe that, in order to be saved, sinners must be regenerated or born again; that regeneration consists in giving a holy disposition to the mind; that it is effected, in a manner above our comprehension, by the power of the Holy Spirit in connection with divine truth, so as to secure our voluntary obedience to the gospel; and that its proper evidence appears in the holy fruits of repntance and faith and newness of life.

John 3:3. John 3:6,7; 1 Cor. 2:14; Rev. 14:3; 21:27. Cor. 5:17. Ezek. 36:26; Deut. 30:6; Rom. 2:28,29; 5:5; 1 JoJhn 4:7.

VIII. OF REPENTANCE AND FAITH.

We believe that Repentance and Faith are sacred duties, and also inseparable graces, wrought in our souls by the regenerating Spirit of God; whereby, being deeply convinced of our guilt, danger and helplessness, and of the way of salvation by Christ, we turn to God with unfeigned contrition, confession, and supplication for mercy; at the same time heartily receiving the Lord Jesus Chrsit as our Prophet, Priest, and King, and relying on him alone and all-sufficient Savior.

Mark 1:15. Acts 11:18. Eph. 2:8. 1 John 5:1. John 16:8. Acts 2:37,38.

1X. OF GOD'S PURPOSE OF GRACE.

We believe that Election is the eternal purpose of God, according to which he graciously regenerates, sanctifies, and saves sinners; that being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all the means in connection with the end; that it is a most glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, being infinitely free, wise, holy, and unchangeable; that it utterly excludes boasting, and promotes humility, love, prayer, praise, trust in God, and active imitation of his free mercy; that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it may be ascertained by its effects in all who truly believe the gospel; that it is the foundationo f Christian assurance; and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves demands and deserves the utmost diligence.

2 Tim. 1-8,9. Eph. 1:314; 1 Peter 1:1,2; Rom. 11:5,6; John 15:16; 1 John 4:19. 2 Thess. 2:13,14. Acts 13:48; John 10:16; Matt. 20:16; Acts 15:14. 1 Cor. 9:22. Phil. 3:12; Heb. 6:11.

X. OF SANCTIFICATION.

We believe that Sanctification is the process by which, according to the will of God, we are made partakers of his holiness; that it is a progressive work; that it is begun in regeneration; and that it is carried on in the hearts of believers by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, the Sealer and Comforter, in the continual use of the appointed means, especially the word of God, self-examination, self-denial, watchfulnes, and prayer.

1Thess. 4:3. 1 Thess. 5:23. 2 Cor. 7:1; 13:9; Eph. 1:4. Prov. 4:18. Heb. 6:1; 2 Peter 1:5-8; Phil. 3:12-16. 1 John 2:29. Eph. 6:18.

XI. OF THE PERSEVERANCE OF SAINTS.

We believe that such only are real believers as endure unto the end; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special Providence watches over their welfare; and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

John 8:31. 1 John 2:27, 28; 3:9; 5:18. I John 2:19. John 13:18; Matt. 13:20,21; John 6:66-69. Rom. 8:28.

XII. OF HARMONY OF THE LAW AND THE GOSPEL.

We believe that the Law of God is the eternal and unchangeable rule of his moral government government; that it is holy, just, and good; and that the inability which the Scriptures ascribe to fallen men to fulfill its precepts arises entirely from their love of sin; to deliver them from which, and to restore them through a Mediator to unfeigned obedience to the holy Law, is one great end of the gospel, and of the means of grace connected with the establishment of the visible church.

Rom. 3:31. Matt. 5:17; Luke 16:17; Rom. 3:20; 4:15. Rom. 7:12. Rom. 7:7,14,22; Gal. 3:21; Ps. 119. Rom. 8:7,8. Rom. 10:4; Heb. 8:10; 12:14; Jude 20, 21.

XIII. OF A GOSPEL CHURCH.

We believe that a visible church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel; observing the ordinances of Christ; governed by his laws; and exercising the gifts, rights, and privileges invested in them by his word; that its only scriptural officers are Bishops, or Pastors, and eDacons, whose qualifications, claims, and duties are defined in the epistles to Timothy and Titus.

1 Cor. 1:1-13. aMtt. 18:17; Acts 5:11; 8:1; 11:21-23; 1 Cor. 4:17; 14:23; 3 John 9. Acts 2:41, 42. Acts 14:23; 15: 22; 1 Tim. 3; Titus 1.

XIV. OF BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER.

We believe that Christian Baptism is the immersion in water of a believer, into the name of the Father, and Son, and Holy Ghost; to show forth, in a solemn and beautiful emblem, our faith in the crucified, buried, and risen Savior, with its effect in our death to sin and resurrection to a new life; that it is prerequisite to the privileges of a church relation; and to the Lord's Supper; in which the members of the church, by the sacred use of bread and wine are to commemorate together the dying love of Christ; preceded always by solemn self-examination.

Acts 8:36-39. Matt. 3:5,6; JoJhn 3:5,6; John 3:22,23; 4:1,2; Matt. 28:19; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 8:12; 16:32-34; 18:8. Matt. 28:19. Acts 10:17,48; Gal. 3:27,28.

XV. OF THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH.

We believe that the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath; and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes, by abstaining from all secular labor and sinful recreations; by the devout observance of all the means of grace, both private and public, and by

preparation for that rest that remaineth for the people of God.

Acts 20:7. Gen. 2:3; Col. 2:16,17; Mark 2:27; John 20:19; 1 Cor. 16:1,2. Exod. 20:8. Rev. 1:10. Isa. 58:13,14.

XVI. OF CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

We believe that civil government is of divine appointment, for the interests and good order of human society; and that magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored, and obeyed; except only in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the conscience, and the Prince of the kings of the earth.

Rom. 13:1-7. Deut. 16:18; 2 Sam. 23:3; Exod. 18:23; Jer. 30:21. Matt. 22:21. Titus 3:1; 1 Peter 2:13; I Tim. 2:1-3. Acts 5:29. Matt. 10:28.

XVII. OF THE RIGHTEOUS AND THE WICKED.

We believe that thereis a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked; that such only as through faith are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sanctified by the Spirit of our God, are truly righteous in his esteem; while all such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sigh wicked, and under the curse; and this distinction holds among men both in life and after death.

Mal. 3:18. Prov. 12:26; Isa. 5:20; Gen. 18:23; Acts 10:34,35; Rom. 6:16. Rom. 1:17. Rom. 7:6. 1 John 2:29. 1 John 3:7; Rom. 6:18,22; 1 Cr. 11:32; Prov. 11:31; 1 Peter 4:17,18. John 5:19.

XVIII. OF TH7 WORLD TO COME.

We believe that the end of the world is approaching; that at the last day Christ will descend from heaven, and raise the dead from the grave to final retribution; that a solemn separation will then take place; that the wicked will be adjudged to endless punishment, and the righteous to endless joy; and that this judgment will fix forever the final state of men in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness.

1 Peter 4:7. 1 Cor. 7:29-31; Heb. 1:10-12; Matt. 25-31; 28:20; 13:39-42; 1 John 2:17; 2 Peter 3:3-13. Acts 1:11. Rev. 1:7; Heb. 9:28; Acts 3:21; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; 5:1-11; Acts 24:15.

WOMAN'S WORK

CHURCH	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	Offerings
Ackerman	Mrs. P. S. Rogers, Ackerman	Mrs. Mamie Dobbs, Ackerman	
Longview	Mrs. J. I. Wallace, Longview	Mrs. L. F. Sanders, Longview	$ 72.06
New Zion	Mamie Lichtell, Ackerman	Edna Weatherall, Ackerman	2.00
Self Creek	Mrs. Sam Ware, Longview	Essie Canler, Starkville	105.15

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT	No. Tupils	No. attendane	Kind of Literature	Baptisms From School
Ackerman	W. F. Burney, Ackerman	125	90	S.B.	1
Arbor Springs					
Bear Creek	W. D. Jones, McCool	30			
Bethany					
Bethlehem					
Beulah	W. S. Blask, McCool	80	75	S.B.	6
Blythe Creek					
Bluff Springs	Alsie Jones, Eupora	60		S.B.	5
Center Grove	W. E. Douglas, Maben	27		S.B.	
Chester					
Clear Springs	W. P. Orr, Chester	28		S.B.	
Crape Creek					
Cypress					
Double Springs	S. A. Reed, Sturgis	40		S.B.	
Ebenezer	Joe Wood, Stewart	30			
Fellowship	Edgar Lewis, Mathiston	50	40	S.B.	4
Fentuss	J. H. Prewitt, Weir	40	25	Un.	
French Camp					
Long Branch	Clidie Whitaker, Cedar Bluff	30	20	S.B.	1
Long View	J. A. Lamb, Long View	75			
Mathiston	G. W. Dudley, Mathiston	81	39	S.B.	3
McCurtains Creek					
Mt. Moriah					
Mt. Olivet					
Mt. Pisgah	H. A. Allen, Eupora	80	60	S.B.	
New Haven					
New Hope	W. W. Roberts, Long View	25	15	S.B.	7
New Zion	J. T. Weatheraall, Weir	45	25	S.B.	26
Pleasant Ridge	J. S. Thornton, Sturgis	35		S.B.	
Providence	Dave McPherson, Weir	55		S.B.	
Pine Grove	C. P. Rushing, Mathiston	50			5
Self Creek	C. H. Butler, Starkville	77		S.B.	6
Spring Hill					
Sturgis					
Wake Forest	Arnold Collier, Sturgis	50		S.B.	7
Weir	J. A. Montgomery, Weir	50		S.B.	
Wood Springs					

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CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERK	Increase			Decrease			Total Membership	No. Baptist Record taken
			By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death		
Ackerman	Patrick S. Rogers, Ackerman	Vera Cochran, Ackerman	2	20		5		2	140	
Arbor Springs	C. E. Bland, Maben	Jennie O'Neal, Mathiston							31	
Bear Creek	L. A. Roebuck, Ethel	W. J. Jones, McCool	14	3				3	208	
Bethany	J. T. Carrell, Reform	W. Stedman, Ackerman	2						80	
Bethlehem		P. M. Snow, Ackerman	6			2		1	99	
Beulah	P. S. Rogers, Ackerman	J. D. Black, McCool	7	1		2			111	
Blythe Creek	W. E. Finley, Eupora	H. P. Livingston, Mathiston	5			3			125	
Bluff Springs	J. H. D. Watson, Weir	Alsie Jones, Eupora	7			2		2	135	
Center Grove	W. D. Watkins, Maben	J. W. Douglas, Maben	2	1				1	101	
Chester	P. S. Rogers, Ackerman	M. L. Buck, Chester	7	1		3	1		80	
Clear Springs	J. L. Smith, Chester	S. M. Fant, Chester	6			3			130	1
Crape Creek	J. H. D. Watson,, Weir	C. E. Erwin, Stewart				1	14	1	74	
Cypress	W. L. Watkins, Maben	W. E. Lewis, Long View							40	
Double Springs	Raymon Collier, Sturgis	S. A. Reed, Sturgis	5	1		4		2	197	
Ebenezer	Frank Poss, Reform	Jack Pearson, Stewart	4	4	1				49	
Fellowship	R. L. Breland, Philadelphia	T. M. Jonse, Mathiston	5	3	1	6		6	129	
Fentuss		Chester Watson, Ackerman	9			1		1	85	1
French Camp	P. S. Rogers, Ackerman	John Blain, French Camp							114	
Long Branch	W. L. Watkins, Maben	J. A. Watkins, Maben	2	1					49	1
Long View	J. L. Hughes, Longview	C. R. Sanders, Long View	9	3	2	1			147	4
Mathiston	R. L. Breland, Philadelphia	G. W. Dudley, Mathiston				7			136	1
McCurtains Creek	B. F. McPhail, Slate Springs	T. M. Holloway, Weir				2		1	71	1
Mt. Moriah	W. J. McPhail, Ethel	T. H. Howard, Weir	15	2		10		3	130	
Mt. Olivet	J. E. Hutchinson, Sturgis	J. T. McKee, Sturgis		1		1	1	2	57	2
Mt. Pisgah	O. C. Cooper, Eupora	H. A. Allen, Eupora	6	1	1	3			89	
New Haven	J. H. D. Watson, Weir	J. A. Chamblee, Weir	16	1	1	3		1	237	
New Hope	W. L. Watkins, Maben	J. L. Chesser, Long View	10	3					61	
New Zion	A. E. Lucus, Sallis	J. F. Keen, Ackerman	26	5		6			167	5
Pleasant Ridge	R. A. Collier, Sturgis	T. E. Sikes, Longview	7	3				1	173	1
Providence	J. H. D. Watson, Mabaen	J. W. Sullers, Weir		2		3	1		97	
Pine Grove	C. E. Bland, Maben	C. P. Rushing, Mathiston	5	12					17	
Self Creek		Essie Carder, Starkville	6	1		3		2	190	
Spring Hill	J. T. Carrell, Reform	J. T. Franklin, Ackerman	4	1		9			155	
Sturgis		H. L. Carter, Sturgis	2			2			129	
Wake Forest	J. T. Carroll, Reform	E. Hannah, Sturgis	9	1		1		3	97	
Weir	P. S. Rogers, Ackerman	S. M. King ,Weir	2	4					50	
Wood Springs	Hicks McPhail, Slate Springs	J. M. Wood, Tom Nolen				5			67	
			200	75	6	88	17	32	4047	17

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